Approaches to Designing Systems Useful for Multiple States -- NBS

Requirements Gathering

- Release 1.0 Approach
- Subsequent Releases



NBS Requirements Gathering – Release 1.0

- JAD sessions with state representatives based on conceptual designs
- Involvement of CDC Subject Matter Experts 2.
- Usability visits to states and local jurisdictions 3.
- Feedback at conferences
- 5. Beta Release demonstrations & deployments



NBS Requirements Gathering – Subsequent Releases

- Deployments to states brought users in contact with an actual system
- 2. Broadened use of CDC Subject Matter Experts (i.e. Lead, TB)
- 3. Feedback on release received from State and local health department users and public health partners
 - a. Demos
 - b. Deployment Activities
 - c. NEDSS Help Desk calls (Peregrine)
 - d. Site Visits
 - e. Usability Studies

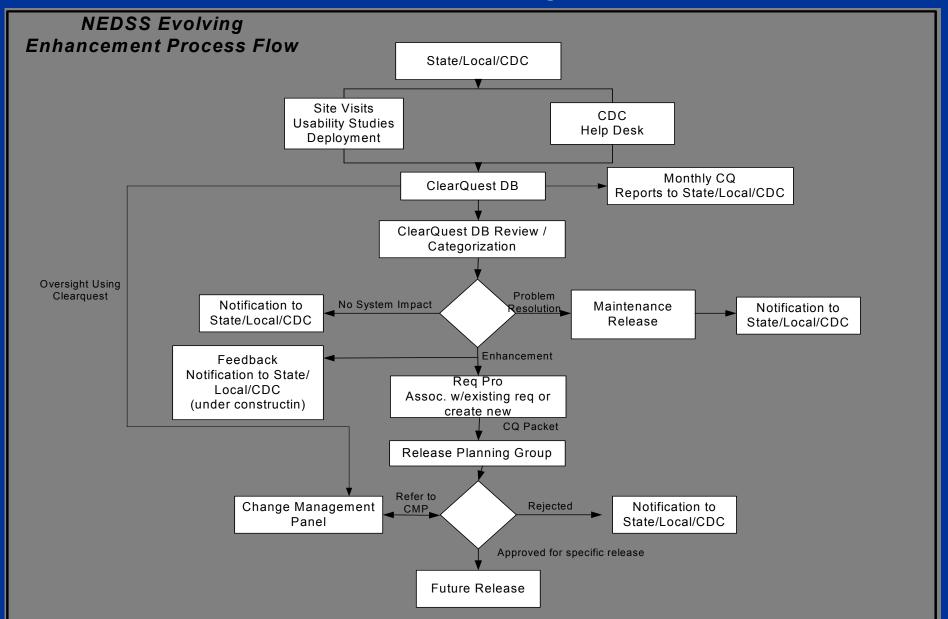


NBS Requirements Gathering – Subsequent Releases (Continued)

- Component design feedback is solicited from the 4. states during the development process
 - Onsite design reviews a.
 - Conference Calls b.
 - State Deployment meetings C.



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- Feedback recorded as Issues in a database (ClearQuest) and priorities established
- Issues classified as
 - Problems (system defects) or
 - Enhancement Requests (requested changes/improvements)
- Release Planning Group recommends assignment of specific problem resolutions and enhancements to a particular NBS Release
- Change Management Panel (consists of state, project and CDC representatives) reviews and approves Release content



Result: Release 1.1 Enhancements

- Data Entry Enhancements
 - Lab and Morbidity Reports
 - Support for External Data Entry
- Data De-duplication
- Point-in-Time Demographics
- Investigation Form Enhancements
- Treatment Management
- NND Messaging Enhancements
- Release Upgrade
- Switch from SilverStream to Web Logic Application Server

